THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRISHRIPAO YESSO NAIK): (a) and (b) The Ministry of Law has pointed out serious legal infirmities in the Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Act, 1988 because of which Rules for implementation of the Act have not been framed.

(c) Sector-wise details are not available as the Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Act, 1988 has not been implemented.

(d) Does not arise, as Rules have not been framed.

"Special Small Savings Scheme"

2244. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to announce a special small savings scheme for the benefit of common people in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL): (a) to (c) Various small savings schemes, currently in force, are designed to cater to the needs of different categories of small investors/common people. There is no proposal for introduction of a new small savings scheme under consideration of the Government.

Increase in TA of Government employees

2245. SHRI ANILSHARMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal under consideration to increase travelling allowance of Government employees of Group 'C and •D' Staff,

(b) if so, by when; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBAADSUL): (a) No, Sir.